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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

- 1-17. (Canceled)
- 18. (Currently Amended) A cosmetic composition comprising, in a cosmetically acceptable medium, at least one surfactant base, at least one saturated linear C₂₂ fatty alcohol, at least one saturated linear C₁₈ fatty alcohol present in said composition in an amount by weight ranging from 0.3% to 10%, relative to the total weight of said composition, and at least one of an opacifier and a pearlescent agent, wherein:
- $\underline{\ }$ said C_{18} fatty alcohol and said C_{22} fatty alcohol are present in a ratio of greater than 0.15, and
- said at least one of an opacifier and a pearlescent agent is chosen from:
 - A) fatty dialkyl ethers which are solid at a temperature of less than or equal to 30°C;
 - B) alcohols containing from 27 to 48 carbon atoms and comprising one or two groups chosen from: ether, thioether and sulfoxide groups, wherein said alcohols correspond to formula (II):

 $R1-X-[C_2H_3(OH)]-CH_2-Y-R2$ (II)

in which

- R1 and R2, independently of each other, are chosen from linear C_{12} to C_{24} alkyl groups,
- X is chosen from an oxygen atom, a sulfur atom, a sulfoxide, and a methylene group,
- Y is chosen from an oxygen atom, a sulfur atom, a sulfoxide, and a methylene group,

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with the provisos that:
when Y is a methylene group, the sum of the number of carbon atoms present in the groups R1 and R2 combined ranges from 24 to 44 carbons
inclusive,
when Y is not a methylene group, the sum of the number of carbon
atoms present in the groups R1 and R2 combined ranges from 24 to 44 carbons
inclusive,
if either X or Y is sulfoxide, then the other of X or Y is not sulfur; and
C) acyl derivatives chosen from ethylene glycol monostearate and ethylene
glycol disearate.

- 20. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 49 18, wherein when Y is a methylene group, the sum of the number of carbon atoms present in the groups R1 and R2 combined ranges from 28 to 40 inclusive.
- 21. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 49 18, wherein when Y is not a methylene group, the sum of the number of carbon atoms present in the groups R1 and R2 combined ranges from 28 to 40 inclusive.
- 22. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 49 18, wherein the fatty dialkyl ethers are chosen from dialkyl ethers of formula (I):

R-O-R' (I)

in which:

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(Canceled)

R and R', which may be identical or different, are chosen from saturated or unsaturated, linear or branched alkyl radicals comprising from 12 to 30 carbon atoms, R and R' being chosen such that the compound of formula (I) is solid at a temperature of less than or equal to 30°C.

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- 23. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 22, wherein said alkyl radicals comprise from 14 to 24 carbon atoms.
- 24. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 22, wherein R and R' are identical.
- 25. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 49 18, wherein said at least one of an opacifier and a pearlescent agent is chosen from:
- A) distearyl ether;
- B) compounds of formula (II) in which X denotes oxygen, Y denotes methylene, and R1 and R2 denote radicals each containing 12 to 22 carbon atoms; and C) ethylene glycol distearate.
- 26. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 18, wherein said saturated linear C_{22} fatty alcohol is present in said composition in an amount by weight ranging from 0.5% to 10%, relative to the total weight of said composition.
- 27. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 26, wherein said saturated linear C₂₂ fatty alcohol is present in said composition in an amount by weight ranging from 0.5% to 5%, relative to the total weight of said composition.
- 28. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 27, wherein said saturated linear C₂₂ fatty alcohol is present in said composition in an amount by weight ranging from 0.5% to 3%, relative to the total weight of said composition.
 - 29. (Canceled)
- 30. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 18, wherein said saturated linear C₁₈ fatty alcohol is present in said composition in an amount by weight ranging from 0.5% to 5%, relative to the total weight of said composition.

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- 31. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 30, wherein said saturated linear C_{18} fatty alcohol is present in said composition in an amount by weight ranging from 0.5% to 3%, relative to the total weight of said composition.
- 32. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 18, wherein said C_{18} fatty alcohol and said C_{22} fatty alcohol are present in a ratio ranging from 0.2 to 20.
- 33. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 32, wherein said C_{18} fatty alcohol and said C_{22} fatty alcohol are present in a ratio ranging from 0.25 to 10.
- 34. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 33, wherein said C_{18} fatty alcohol and said C_{22} fatty alcohol are present in a ratio ranging from 0.3 to 5.
- 35. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 18, wherein said at least one of an opacifier and a pearlescent agent is present in said composition in an amount by weight ranging from 0.5% to 15%, relative to the total weight of said composition.
- 36. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 35, wherein said at least one of an opacifier and a pearlescent agent is present in said composition in an amount by weight ranging from 1% to 5%, relative to the total weight of said composition.
- 37. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 18, wherein said at least one surfactant base is present in said composition in an amount by weight ranging from 1% to 60%, relative to the total weight of said composition.

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- 38. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 37, wherein said at least one surfactant base is present in said composition in an amount by weight ranging from 3% to 40%, relative to the total weight of said composition.
- 39. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 38, wherein said at least one surfactant base is present in said composition in an amount by weight ranging from 5% to 30%, relative to the total weight of said composition.
- 40. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 18, wherein said composition further comprises at least one conditioner.
- 41. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 40, wherein said at least one conditioner is chosen from poly-α-olefins, fluoro oils, fluoro waxes, fluoro gums, carboxylic acid esters, silicones, cationic polymers, mineral, plant oils, animal oils, ceramides and pseudoceramides, and mixtures thereof.
- 42. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 40, wherein said at least one conditioner is present in said composition in an amount by weight ranging from 0.001% to 10%, relative to the total weight of said composition.
- 43. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 42, wherein said at least one conditioner is present in said composition in an amount by weight ranging from 0.005% to 5%, relative to the total weight of said composition.
- 44. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 43, wherein said at least one conditioner is present in said composition in an amount by weight ranging from 0.01% to 3%, relative to the total weight of said composition.

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- 45. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 18, wherein said composition is in the form of a gel, a milk, a cream, a thickened lotion, or a mousse.
- 46. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 18, wherein said composition is a foaming detergent composition chosen from shampoos, shower gels and bubble baths.
- 47. (Currently Amended) A suspension agent for a conditioner which is insoluble in a cosmetic composition, said suspension agent comprising at least one saturated linear C₂₂ fatty alcohol, at least one saturated linear C₁₈ fatty alcohol present in said composition in an amount by weight ranging from 0.3% to 10%, relative to the total weight of said composition, and at least one of an opacifier and a pearlescent agent, wherein:
- _said C₁₈ fatty alcohol and said C₂₂ fatty alcohol are present in a ratio of greater than 0.15, and
- said at least one of an opacifier and a pearlescent agent is chosen from:
 - A) fatty dialkyl ethers which are solid at a temperature of less than or equal to 30°C;
 - B) alcohols containing from 27 to 48 carbon atoms and comprising one or two groups chosen from: ether, thioether and sulfoxide groups, wherein said alcohols correspond to formula (II):

 $R1-X-[C_2H_3(OH)]-CH_2-Y-R2$ (II)

in which

R1 and R2, independently of each other, are chosen from linear C_{12} to C_{24} alkyl groups,

X is chosen from an oxygen atom, a sulfur atom, a sulfoxide, and a methylene group,

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Y is chosen from an oxygen atom, a sulfur atom, a sulfoxide, and a methylene group,
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with the provisos that:
when Y is a methylene group, the sum of the number of carbon atoms present in the groups R1 and R2 combined ranges from 24 to 44 carbons
inclusive,
when Y is not a methylene group, the sum of the number of carbon
atoms present in the groups R1 and R2 combined ranges from 24 to 44 carbons inclusive,
if either X or Y is sulfoxide, then the other of X or Y is not sulfur; and
C) acyl derivatives chosen from ethylene glycol monostearate and ethylene
glycol disearate.

- 48. (Previously Presented) The suspension agent according to claim 47, wherein said cosmetic composition is a foaming conditioning and washing composition containing, in a cosmetically acceptable aqueous medium, a surfactant base.
- 49. (Currently Amended) A method for giving a pearlescent effect to or improving the pearlescent effect of a composition comprising at least one of an opacifier and a pearlescent agent, and optionally at least one surfactant base, said method comprising combining at least one saturated linear C₂₂ fatty alcohol and at least one saturated linear C₁₈ fatty alcohol present in said composition in an amount by weight ranging from 0.3% to 10%, relative to the total weight of said composition, wherein:

 _said C₁₈ fatty alcohol and said C₂₂ fatty alcohol are present in a ratio of greater than 0.15, and
- said at least one of an opacifier and a pearlescent agent is chosen from:

A) fatty dialkyl ethers which are solid at a temperature of less than or equal to 30°C;

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B) alcohols containing from 27 to 48 carbon atoms and comprising one or two groups chosen from: ether, thioether and sulfoxide groups, wherein said alcohols correspond to formula (II):
R1-X- $[C_2H_3(OH)]$ -CH ₂ -Y-R2 (II)
<u>in which</u>
R1 and R2, independently of each other, are chosen from linear C_{12} to C_{24} alkyl groups,
X is chosen from an oxygen atom, a sulfur atom, a sulfoxide, and a methylene group,
Y is chosen from an oxygen atom, a sulfur atom, a sulfoxide, and a methylene group,
with the provisos that:
when Y is a methylene group, the sum of the number of carbon atoms present in the groups R1 and R2 combined ranges from 24 to 44 carbons inclusive,
when Y is not a methylene group, the sum of the number of carbon atoms present in the groups R1 and R2 combined ranges from 24 to 44 carbons inclusive,
if either X or Y is sulfoxide, then the other of X or Y is not sulfur; and
C) acyl derivatives chosen from ethylene glycol monostearate and ethylene
glycol disearate.

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1300 I Street, NW Washington, DC 20005 202.408.4000 Fax 202.408.4400 www.finnegan.com applying to said keratin material a composition comprising, in a cosmetically acceptable medium, at least one surfactant base, at least one saturated linear C_{22} fatty alcohol, at least one saturated linear C_{18} fatty alcohol present in said composition in an amount by weight ranging from 0.3% to 10%, relative to the total weight of said composition, and at least one of an opacifier and a pearlescent agent, said C_{18} fatty alcohol and said C_{22} -

(Currently Amended) A method for treating a keratin material comprising

fatty alcohol being present in a ratio of greater than 0.15, optionally followed by rinsing
with water, wherein:
- said C ₁₈ fatty alcohol and said C ₂₂ fatty alcohol being present in a ratio of greater than
0.15, and
- said at least one of an opacifier and a pearlescent agent is chosen from:
A) fatty dialkyl ethers which are solid at a temperature of less than or equal to 30°C;
B) alcohols containing from 27 to 48 carbon atoms and comprising one or two groups chosen from: ether, thioether and sulfoxide groups, wherein said alcohols correspond to formula (II):
R1-X- $[C_2H_3(OH)]$ -CH ₂ -Y-R2 (II)
<u>in which</u>
R1 and R2, independently of each other, are chosen from linear C_{12} to C_{24} alkyl groups,
X is chosen from an oxygen atom, a sulfur atom, a sulfoxide, and a methylene group,
Y is chosen from an oxygen atom, a sulfur atom, a sulfoxide, and a methylene group,
with the provisos that:
when Y is a methylene group, the sum of the number of carbon atoms present in the groups R1 and R2 combined ranges from 24 to 44 carbons inclusive,
when Y is not a methylene group, the sum of the number of carbon atoms present in the groups R1 and R2 combined ranges from 24 to 44 carbons inclusive,
if either X or Y is sulfoxide, then the other of X or Y is not sulfur; and
C) acyl derivatives chosen from ethylene glycol monostearate and ethylene
glycol disearate.

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51. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 50, wherein said keratin material is hair.

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